

South Carolina Medical Cannabis Voter Guide, Primary Runoff Election, June 23, 2020

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See below for a voter guide outlining where each candidate in the South Carolina House or Senate primary runoff stands on medical cannabis. In South Carolina state races, if no candidate in a primary receives more than 50% of the vote, the election heads to a runoff.

The districts that will have a runoff are S.C. Senate districts 16, 33, and 39 and S.C. House districts 3, 5, 35, 64, 88, 99, 109, and 115. If you don't know your districts, you can look them up here. After you fill in your information, the second section that displays will be your Voting Districts. Look for your "SC Senate District" and "SC House District." South Carolina does not have registration by party. If you live in a district with a runoff for either major party, you can vote in it.

The runoff election is Tuesday, June 23, 2020. <u>Any voter can request an absentee ballot, checking "Reason 18" for this election due to the coronavirus pandemic.</u>

Candidates in **green** have indicated their support for medical cannabis in response to the South Carolina Compassionate Care Alliance's (SCCCA) candidate survey or by cosponsoring a medical cannabis bill (if they are an incumbent). Candidates in **red** expressed opposition to medical cannabis, and candidates in **orange** are not known to have taken a public stance or replied that they are undecided.

Spread the word and check back for our voter guide leading up to the General Election.

Senate District 16: Republican Primary

• Tom Nichols

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Undecided on whether "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician." If you live in Senate District 16 and want to politely urge **Tom Nichols** to support allowing medical cannabis with a doctors' certification, you can reach out to his campaign at 803-322-3918 or **StraightShootingTom@gmail.com**. His Facebook page is **here**. **Here's some background information** in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

Michael Johnson

Did not respond to SCCCA's Candidate Survey.

If you live in the district, you can politely urge <u>Michael Johnson</u> to stand up for compassion at 803-984-0126 or <u>michael@michaeljohnsonforsenate.com</u>. His Facebook page is <u>here</u>. <u>Here's some background information</u> in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

Senate District 33: Republican Primary

• John Gallman

Did not respond to SCCCA's candidate survey.

If you live in Senate District 33 and want to politely urge **John Gallman** to take a stance in support of allowing medical cannabis with a doctor's certification, you can reach out to his campaign at (843) 251-7777 or **johnhgallman@gmail.com**. His Facebook page is **here**. **Here's some background information** in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

• Sen. Luke Rankin

Did not respond to SCCCA's candidate survey.

If you live in Senate District 33 and want to politely urge <u>Sen. Luke Rankin</u> to take a stance in support of allowing medical cannabis with a doctor's certification, you can reach out to his campaign at (843) 248-2405 or <u>info@lukerankinsc.com</u>. His Facebook page is <u>here</u>. <u>Here's some background information</u> in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

Senate District 39: Democratic Primary

Vernon Stephens

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

Cindy Evans

Did not respond to SCCCA's candidate survey.

If you live in Senate District 39 and want to politely urge <u>Cindy Evans</u> to take a stance in support of allowing medical cannabis with a doctor's certification, you can reach out to her campaign at (803) 937-6488. Her Facebook page is <u>here</u>. <u>Here's some background</u> information in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

House District 3: Republican Primary

Phillip Bowers

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Undecided on whether "Medical cannabis should be

available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

If you live in House District 3 and want to politely urge **Phillip Bowers** to take a stance in support of allowing medical cannabis with a doctor's certification, his **Facebook** is here, his phone number is 868-2789 and his email is **Bowers_p@bellsouth.net**. **Here's some background information** in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

Jerry Carter

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Disagree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

House District 5: Republican Primary

Neal Collins

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician.

Rep. Collins cosponsored the 2019-2020 medical cannabis bill, H. 3660. However, he also voted against advancing medical cannabis legislation (H. 3521) out of committee on April 19, 2018.

David Cox

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician.

House District 35: Republican Primary

Chris Bennett

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician.

Bill Chumley

Did not respond to SCCCA's candidate survey.

If you live in House District 35 and want to politely urge **Chumley** to take a stance in support of allowing medical cannabis with a doctor's certification, his **Facebook is here**, his phone number is (864) 303-2726, and his email is **ChumleyforSC35@gmail.com**. **Here's some background information** in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

House District 64: Democratic Primary

Kimberly Johnson

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician.

Jack Furse

Did not respond to SCCCA's candidate survey.

If you live in House District 64 and want to politely urge <u>Jack Furse</u> to take a stance in support of allowing medical cannabis with a doctor's certification, his Facebook page is <u>here</u>. <u>Here's</u> <u>some background information</u> in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

House District 88: Republican Primary

Mike Sturkie

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

RJ May III

Did not respond to SCCCA's candidate survey.

If you live in House District 88 and want to politely urge **RJ May** to support allowing medical cannabis with a doctors' certification, you can reach out to his campaign at 803-470-4482 or **VoteRJMay@gmail.com**. His Facebook page is **here**. **Here's some background information** in support of allowing medical cannabis in South Carolina.

House District 99: Republican Primary

David Herndon

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

Mark Smith

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

House District 109: Democratic Primary

James Johnson

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

Deon Tedder

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

House District 115: Democratic Primary

• Carol Tempel

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."

• Spencer Wetmore

Response to SCCCA Candidate Survey: Agree that "Medical cannabis should be available for patients with debilitating conditions when recommended by their physician."