

★ **2008 Christian Coalition** ★

**V O T E R G U I D E**



**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION**



**John McCain (R)**

**ISSUES**

**Barack Obama (D)**

Supports*	Education vouchers that allow parents to choose public or private school for their children	Opposes*
Opposes*	Sex education for children in kindergarten through 12th grade	Supports*
Opposes*	Increase in federal income tax rates	Supports*
Supports*	Appointing judges that will adhere to a strict interpretation of the Constitution	Opposes*
Opposes*	Further restrictions on the right to keep and bear arms	Supports*
Opposes*	Public funding of abortions, (such as govt. health benefits and Planned Parenthood)	Supports*
Supports*	Parental notification for abortions by minors	Opposes*
Supports*	Legislation mandating health care for infants surviving abortions	Opposes*
Opposes*	Granting sexual preference a protected minority status under existing civil rights laws	Supports*
Opposes*	Allowing adoption of children by homosexuals	Supports*
Supports*	Enforcing the 1993 law banning homosexuals in the military	Opposes*
Supports*	Prohibiting public funding for art that is pornographic or anti-religious	Opposes*
Supports*	Tax credits for purchasing private health insurance	Opposes*
Supports*	Allowing federal funding for faith-based charitable organizations	Opposes*
Supports*	Tax credits for investment in renewable sources of energy, (such as wind, solar & biomass)	Supports*
Supports*	Legislation to enact a "cap & trade" system to reduce carbon dioxide emissions	Supports*

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**Oregon**

**US Senate Election**



**Gordon Smith (R)**

**ISSUES**



**Jeff Merkley (D)**

Supports*	Education vouchers that allow parents to choose public or private school for their children	Unknown
Opposes*	Increase in federal income tax rates	Unknown
Supports*	Elimination of the federal marriage tax penalty	Unknown
Supports*	Capital punishment for certain crimes, such as first degree murder & terrorism	Opposes*
Supports*	Appointing judges that will adhere to a strict interpretation of the Constitution	Unknown
Opposes*	Further restrictions on the right to keep and bear arms	Unknown
Opposes*	Public funding of abortions, (such as govt. health benefits and Planned Parenthood)	Supports*
Supports*	Parental notification for abortions by minors	Opposes*
Opposes*	Prohibiting human embryonic stem cell research	Opposes*
Supports*	Holding criminals liable for harm they cause to unborn children	Opposes*
Supports*	Federal Marriage Amendment to prevent same sex marriage	Opposes*
Supports*	Tax credits for purchasing private health insurance	Unknown

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This is a crucial election and too much is at stake for God's people to sit on the sidelines. Be sure to make your vote count by going to the polls this coming Election Day!

Sincerely,  
 Roberta Combs  
 President, Christian Coalition