

Gubernatorial Candidate Comparison

Issue: School Funding

Sen. Bill Brady — Jason Plummer

- Oppose any increase in personal or corporate income tax
- Oppose “progressive” tax system based on ability to pay
- Support tax cuts and elimination of fees, further reducing revenue available for education

Gov. Pat Quinn — Sheila Simon

- Support increasing state revenue through personal and corporate income tax
- Support “progressive” tax system
- Support property tax relief and an increase in personal exemption for individuals

Issue: Pensions

Brady — Plummer

- Support fully funding the five retirement systems but only by using current revenues
- Support reduced retirement benefits for current employees
- Support replacing the current pension system with a defined contribution funded ONLY by employees

Quinn — Simon

- Support fully funding the five retirement systems
- Oppose any reduction of current employee retirement benefits
- Oppose a defined contribution plan for state employees

Issue: Labor

Brady — Plummer

- Support Illinois becoming a “right to work state”
- Would bar collective bargaining and strikes
- Support reduction of Illinois’ minimum wage
- Oppose law mandating equal pay for men and women

Quinn — Simon

- Fully support the Collective Bargaining Act
- Support Illinois’ minimum wage at the current level
- Declared a Proclamation for Equal Pay Day; April 20, 2010

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