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Q1 Candidate's Name

Paul Stoddard

Q2 Candidate's District

State Representative District 70

Q3 Will you support closure of any State Operated Developmental Centers and shift corresponding resources toward integrated, community-based living options? **No**

Q4 Would you support legislation to eliminate the subminimum wage for workers with disabilities in Illinois? **Respondent skipped this question**

Q5 Do you support per-beneficiary funding caps in the Illinois Medicaid system? **No**

Q6 Should Illinois Medicaid and SNAP benefits have a mandatory work component? **No**

Q7 Would you advocate raising Medicaid reimbursement rates for home-based nursing services? **Yes**

Q8 Do you support a fair (graduated) income tax? **Yes**

Q9 Will you demand improved disability access to the State Capitol complex and General Assembly, including but not limited to a formal reasonable accommodation request process for public proceedings, provision of key materials in alternate formats, and captioning of floor proceedings? **Yes**

Candidate's Questionnaire 2018

Q10 What will you do to ensure people with disabilities, who identify as members of other marginalized communities (e.g. black/brown, LGBTQ, immigrant, etc.) know they are welcome to live and pursue their full potential in Illinois? In other words, how can you address systemic oppression against multiply marginalized disabled people?

. Ensure enforcement of civil rights legislation and increase education of these issues via school curricula, public service ads, etc. Give members of these groups a seat at the table when considering planning and implementation of such issues.

Q11 How will you ensure a free and appropriate public education for Illinois students with disabilities?

We need to do a better job publicizing opportunities and enforcing implementation of existing regulations. We must fight cuts to these programs.

Q12 How will you work to expand affordable, accessible, integrated housing options in Illinois?

Tax credits to building developers, owners, and managers to make new and current housing more affordable and accessible.

Q13 What would you do to make Illinois more compliant with the Ligas, Williams, and Colbert Consent Decrees?

Provide adequate training for professionals assisting those considering moving under the decrees. Ensure necessary funding to provide required assistance.

Q14 How will you play a role in making business accessible to all customers with disabilities?

Increase tax incentives or grants to existing non-complaint businesses (i.e., those "grandfathered" in) to allow them to make the necessary modifications for accessibility.

Q15 What will you do to provide full and equal access to public transportation in Illinois?

Tie state funding for transportation (roads, busses, trains, etc.) to accessibility compliance.

Q16 How can wages for Illinois' Personal Assistants, Direct Support Professionals, Community Care Program and Homemaker service providers be improved and/or stabilized?

Raise the minimum wage statewide to \$15/hr.

Q17 Illinois has 19,000+ residents with disabilities on the PUNS (Prioritization for Urgency of Need for Services) waiting list. Thousands more are waiting for DON (Determination of Need) assessments to become eligible for home and community-based care. What concrete steps will you support to reduce these backlogs and improve Illinois' laggard status (we rank #47) when it comes to home-based disability services for eligible Illinoisans?

Hire more case workers to work through the DON assessments. Provide more funding to assist those who have been determined eligible.
